



# The St. Louis Admirals R/C Model Boat Club

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## BROADSIDE

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### NOTICE:

**The next meeting will be held on November 1, 2010 at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 33 N. Clay Ave, Ferguson, MO 63135**

## NOW HEAR THIS

### FROM THE BRIDGE



The leaves of fall are just starting to change into many beautiful colors, The Regatta is now past, and the temperatures are again becoming pleasant for outside activities. This is my favorite

time of the year, when I can really enjoy heading to a pond to do some model boat sailing. And I have had all spring and summer to tune up the boat and resolve most of its idiosyncrasies.

This has been a year of doing a lot of things with the Club. We have now had four sailing events at Forest Park – two as invited guests of the Munny in conjunction with ship related performances, and two as invited guests of the Boat House. The Munny sails proved that we could prevail in some of the hottest days that St Louis summer could throw at us. Our sails at the Boat House were more bearable and the last one was most pleasant.

The past couple of times have been good experiences for my submarining skills, as the big sub behaved and I finally learned how to put it through some realistic operations. It was a lot of fun to skim just below the surface with only the periscope showing. And at the Boat House, I was

able to dive the boat under a low bridge and bring it back up on the other side, to the entertainment of the Boat House patrons. Yep, that was fun.

And that is really what having a hobby and enjoying being with other Club members is all about. During the year, we have seen progress being made on several outstanding new boat projects, and we have gotten a real education on a lot of especially electronic concepts and projects gratis of Vice Commodore Dave St Clair. Thanks, Dave, for making our meeting attendees have a better understanding of some of the mysteries of all of those things running back and forth inside our boats.

As a Club, we are unfortunately all getting to be a little older, and with that come medical issues. So to those who didn't get to enjoy the Regatta or sailing events, here's hoping that the health issues get better or go away. I think we are slowly coming to the realization that we just can't do everything that we once did when we were younger. "Sigh," he said, as he sat in his recliner.

But before sitting becomes too much of a steady and necessary thing caused by ice on the pond, get outside and get your boats wet. Take a friend (both human and an old boat) down to the pond near you

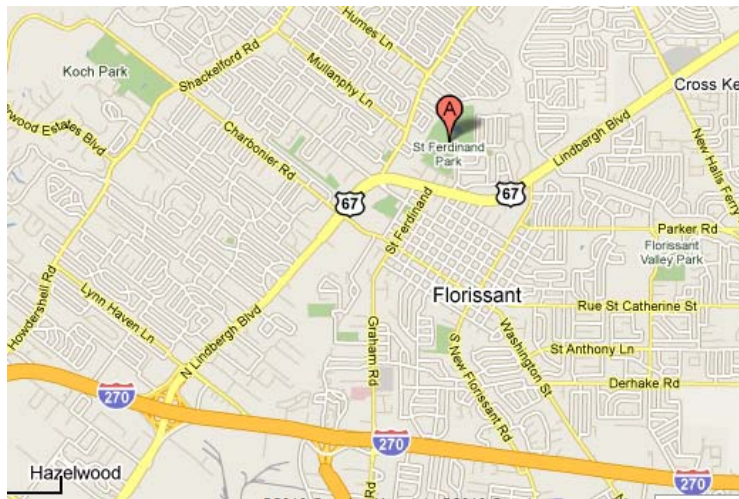
and enjoy the great fall weather by sailing a model RC boat. You might even meet a person or two whom you can interest in the hobby and the Club. New members are always welcome. It only takes an interest in RC model boats to become a member. And as I have discovered, there's a lot that can be learned from other model boat enthusiasts.

Have fun and go sailing!!!!!!

Commodore Jim

November 1, 2010 sail at St. Ferdinand Lake 1:00-5:00PM (weather permitting) and 5:00 PM Dinner at Applebee's, 2309 N Highway 67, Florissant, MO 63033, and 7:00 PM meeting at St. Stephens Church.

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**Membership Dues**

##Please take note of the following: ##

Dues for new members will be prorated on a per month basis based upon our beginning of May 1<sup>st</sup> dues.

Please make checks (no cash) payable to "St Louis Admirals R/C Model Boat Club" in the amount of \$30.00. Send checks (no cash) to

Dave St. Clair  
4623 Dulin Creek Road  
House Springs, MO 63051

PS If you would like to have your e-mail address included for receipt of the Broadside and other publications please include it on a separate sheet of paper, to my attention. If you have moved since your last renewal, please note change of address, etc.

Thank you, Dave St. Clair

**Tentative 2010 and 2011 meeting  
dates are:**

December 6, 2010 Christmas  
Party

January 4, 2011

Subject to availability by St. Stephen's Church.

## **Ship and She – from Reminisce Magazine**

“Why do you call a ship a she?”

*If you ever tried to steer one, you wouldn't ask.*

*Because it takes so long to get them ready to go anywhere.*

*Because they need so much painting.*

*Because a ship's got to have its own way or it won't go.*

*Because they are always calling at some place or another .*

*Because it costs so much to keep one in operation.*

*Because they are forever blowing off steam.*

*Because they are held together with steel.*

*Because they frequently toss their noses in the air.*

Wives wonder why husbands are so  
pensive and husbands wonder why  
wives are so expensive.

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## **St. Louis Admirals RC Model Boat Club**

Minutes for October 4, 2010

The October 4, 2010 meeting was called to order by, the Commodore Jim, in St. Stephen's chapel (regular site occupied by the "Garden Club) at 7:07 P.M, eighteen (18) members attending. The members were led in the "The Pledge of Allegiance" by Commodore Jim.

### **Minutes**

Minutes for September were approved as written and published in the "Broadsides".

### **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer report was given.

### **Member News**

It was good to see Jane Rivers-Chapman on hand for this meeting. It was also good to see Bob Chapman's smiling face.

Fred Hoeffken left the Union Station R/C early because he was having a migraine incident and was on doctor's orders to seek medical attention immediately; that episode passed and he is back on his feet again but still awaiting news of his pending surgery, which he should get about November 1st.

Alden Clark had health issues about the first of September. During his treatment he spent twelve days in the hospital getting antibiotic treatments. He too is getting his strength back. Perhaps we will see him again at the November meeting.

### **Other Problems**

Ray Sepanski suffered a severe kick in the budget when he discovered that the water pump on his van failed. He did get back in operation by Sunday morning in order to be on hand for the flushing of the regatta, by Mother Nature.

Commodore Jim was abused by a case of vanishing car keys. The keys reappeared midmorning Sunday. Ask him about the details if you dare.

Dave St. Clair ended his day with a soggy inspiration. Dave had a very wet time recovering buoys and lighthouses floating in the lake after the regatta. No one will ever have to do this very wet task again. Dave has been inspired to develop a method of launching and recovering floating equipment by radio control. His prototype was demonstrated at the October meeting. Looks good!!!

### **Old Business**

Commodore Jim suggests that the members take a look at the updated web site. It still has a few kinks as computer things like to do, they will be worked out soon. Also a call has gone out to members for model pictures to be used on the web page. Send the photos to Commodore Jim.

The awards for the 2010 show have been completed in spite of black out conditions at Dave St Clair's house on the night of the work party compliments of a major electrical storm in the House Springs area. Work was resumed the following afternoon and finished about 5:00 P.M. that day.

The weather on Saturday, of the R/C show was pleasant, water conditions where better than 2009, many boats where run. Every one seemed to be enjoying the event. On the other hand everyone vanished when it was time to start the night run. Heavy rain greeted us on arriving at Union Station the next morning. A few braved the rains to collect their awards and visit with the locals. They then left and we proceeded to shut down the Regatta for 2010, there was no boat operation on Sunday

### Raffle

The October Mark Twain raffle winners are Bob Olsen and Tom Keller (talk about influence)!

### New Business

There was another run date October 4th, at the "Boat House" in Forest Park" at our normal run time prior to the meeting. The turn out was good, We had a pleasant afternoon followed by dinner at the "Boat House" we then adjourned to our normal site at St. Stephens.

Upon arriving at St. Stephens we found our normal meeting area occupied by the Garden Club so we relocated to the chapel. Commodore Jim began the meeting in the usual manner. The remaining awards were presented or prepared for shipping to the various winners.

At this point Commodore Jim announced that \$ 25.00 would be given to: Alma Hull, Dee St Clair and Desiree St Clair for their hard work in registration of the 22 (twenty-two) club members and five visitors to the show. That total means we had at a minimum 65 boats at the show. Thank you very much ladies.

The membership voted for the treasury to pick-up the tab for the December 6, 2010 Christmas Party. It was also voted that the members would provide the deserts for the party. "Bandanas" will provide the food. Let Jane know if you will be attending with or with-out a guest.

It was also decided a swap meet would be part of the party as needed.

The boat club by-laws indicate that as of the October meeting nominations for the 2011 year officers are now open and will remain so until the election at the Christmas Party, 2010. Officers will take office at the first meeting of the New Year.

### Adjournment

Commodore Jim closed the meeting at 9:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Ray Sepanski, Secretary

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1<sup>st</sup> Place –  
Father Thomas Keller –  
Str. Capitol



Dave St Clair's  
retrival  
presentation





Bob Chapman and Kendall Waller



Geneva and Luther Disher



Norm Kalaskie and Chris Kunz



Running of the boats at the Boathouse Lake at Forest Park, St Louis, Missouri

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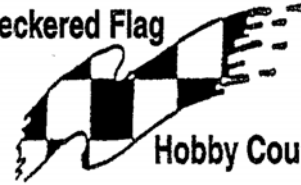


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